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GREAT FALLS STUDENT PARTICIPATES IN CAREER PROGRAM AT UM MISSOULA--

Jacob Silk of **Great Falls** is among 21 students chosen to participate in an innovative summer program at The University of Montana.

The six-week Mental Health Careers Opportunity Program offers Montana high school juniors and seniors a head start in the health or mental health professions. Participants receive college-preparatory training in psychology, physical therapy, pharmacy, pre-med and pre-nursing.

Silk will be a senior at Great Falls High School this fall.

MHCOP, held June 18 to July 28, offers academic challenges, outdoor adventures and the opportunity to meet new people while getting a taste of college life. In addition to health-related education, students gain skills in math, writing, public speaking, learning strategies and computers.

Students leave the program ready to meet the demands of course work at community and tribal colleges or four-year universities.

MHCOP is funded through a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. For more information, visit the Web site at www.umt.edu/mhcop.

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